

HO-168
The Bank s Schoolhouse
Glenwood
Private

circa 1863

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Howard County records go back to 1863 when it was noted as Schoolhouse #16. This designation also appears on the 1860 Marte net Map, although Howard County folklore would establish an 1825 building date. Once composed of one large room with a pot bellied stove in its center and a raised platform for the teacher, it is now the private residence of Mr. and Mrs. James Lanning.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Bank s Schoolhouse

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

15491 Rt. 97, Roxbury Mills Road

Roxbury Road at its intersection with Route 97 -
SE corner

CITY, TOWN

Glenwood

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

6th

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Howard

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ MUSEUM☐ COMMERCIAL☐ PARK☐ EDUCATIONAL☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ RELIGIOUS☐ GOVERNMENT☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ MILITARY☐ OTHER**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Mr. & Mrs. James G. Lanning

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

15491 Rt. 97

CITY, TOWN

Glenwood

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code
Maryland 21738**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE.

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Tax Map 21, p. 109

Hall of Records

Liber #: 426

Folio #: 165

STREET & NUMBER

Howard County Court House

CITY, TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Howard County Historic Sites Inventory

DATE

1978-1979

☐ FEDERAL ☒ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Maryland Historical Trust

CITY, TOWN

21 State Circle, Annapolis

STATE

Maryland

7 DESCRIPTION

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Woodbine Quad
District 4

CONDITION

☒ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☒ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

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The interior has been completely remodeled to accommodate the residence of Mr. & Mrs. James Lanning, its owners, featuring three bedrooms, a living room, hall, bath, and kitchen. A wooden stove in the kitchen is reminiscent of the large, pot bellied stove, which once stood in the middle of the one room school house. The kitchen also retains the teacher's platform on which her desk was placed, being presently used as the platform for a kitchen sink and cabinets. The original pine floors can also be seen in the kitchen.

Very little change has occurred on the east elevation, which holds first floor, rectangular double-hung windows, holding four-over-one and six-over-six lights respectively in its south and north end bays, and the central bay gabled roof entrance vestibule. A small, rectangular attic vent is centered into the gable's eave line.

The north elevation also remains very much intact, although a three light, rectangular, cellar entrance on the west side and a rectangular, two light, cellar window, east of the door, have been added, along with cement blocks to fill in and strengthen the fieldstone foundation. The basement features solid oak joists holding the pine floors of the building. The stone foundation was really only a crawl space, which has been dug out by hand by Mr. and Mrs. James Lanning. Otherwise, this north elevation remains intact, holding three large, rectangular, double hung-windows, holding six-over-six lights.

The south elevation has been covered by a one story high, shed roofed, addition with east entrance.

A small gabled roof addition, resting on a cinderblock foundation, is centered on the west wall. It holds two, square, one light windows on its west wall and a two light, rectangular window on its north wall.

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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Woodbine Quad.
Dist 4.

PERIOD	AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
— PREHISTORIC	— ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	— COMMUNITY PLANNING	— LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	— RELIGION
— 1400-1499	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	— CONSERVATION	— LAW	— SCIENCE
— 1500-1599	— AGRICULTURE	— ECONOMICS	— LITERATURE	— SCULPTURE
— 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	— MILITARY	— SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
— 1700-1799	— ART	— ENGINEERING	— MUSIC	— THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	— COMMERCE	— EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	— PHILOSOPHY	— TRANSPORTATION
— 1900-	— COMMUNICATIONS	— INDUSTRY	— POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	— OTHER (SPECIFY)
		— INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES Circa

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Banks Schoolhouse is significant to Howard County and the State of Maryland, architecturally, as an example of a nineteenth century, one room schoolhouse, adapted for residential use.

In addition it is historically significant in the history of the development of the Educational System of Howard County, Maryland.

Architecturally, the Banks Schoolhouse retains its east, west and north elevations with little or no alteration. (See description for further details.)

Historically Howard County was tied to Anne Arundel County and its Board of Education remained attached to Anne Arundel County until 1865, when three new commissioners met on September 5th of that year to form the organization of the board, decide upon teachers salaries and divide Howard County into three school districts, each headed by one of the three commissioners.

In the minutes of the Board Meeting on September 5, 1865, the following items dealing with these subjects occur:

"It was resolved that the Board pay the teachers as follows,
"Viz. \$100.00 per quarter until the 16th of December, 1865 -
then to pay them in proportion to the number of pupils in the
schools."

In the minutes of the Board of Education of Howard County, dated August 1, 1865, the following items were taken up by the Board:

"The organization was entered upon by each of the commissioners
. . . . the organization of the Board was then completed by the
appointment of Marshall McCauley as Secretary and Treasurer of
said Board. . . . It was ordered that all applicants for the po-
sition of Teachers in the Schools of Howard County to be made to
the Secretary of the Board by writing.

These latter items indicate the need the Board felt for a certain amount of structural procedure. Two weeks later it began to examine teachers

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

and to divide the County into three Districts. These items are found as follows in the minutes of the Board on August 15, 1865:

"Mr. A. P. Warfield and William Denny were duly examined by the President and the Board as to their qualifications to become teachers and each were passed as "competent teachers". It was resolved to divide the County into three Districts as follows Viz.

1st Election District consisting of No. 1,2,3,4,5,6 and 24 schools were assigned to President Samuel H. Dashill.

The 2nd and 5th Election Districts consisting of Nos. 7,8,9,18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 Schools were assigned to Dr. Joel Hopkins.

The 3rd and 4th Election Districts consisting of No^s 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 Schools were assigned to David Burdett.

It is within this latter group, designated as No. 16 that we find the Banks Schoolhouse. It is so noted as No. 16 on the 1860 Martenet Map and later, on the 1878 Hopkin's Atlas, as the Banks Schoolhouse.

These numbers would be changed to No^s 1, 2, 3 etcetera by February 6, 1866, when the following change was noted in the minutes of the Board:

"The 3rd and 4th District Schools assigned to David Burdett were changed, Banks Schoolhouse No. 16 becoming No. 7. They are enumerated as follows with their teachers:

Schools Nos	10	now	1	72.70	M. Johnson
	11		2	127.07	James Jeffery
	12		3	106.34	Stephen Ways
	13		4	100.50	Miss F. V. Robinson
	14		5	117.34	J. Dorsey Warfield
	15		6		
	* 16		7	106.18	Basil E. Williams
	17		8	123.00	B. F. Packard
			9	108.60	A. F. Rittenhouse

By May 4, 1886 this system had again changed, with each election district considered a School District. The Schoolhouse numbers were again changed to No^s 1, 2, 3, etcetra within the individual districts. At that time E.D. #1 had 5 schools, E.D. #2 had 7 schools, E.D. #3 had 7 schools, E.D. #4 had nine schools, E.D. #5 had 6 schools and E.D. #6 had 7.

Bills came in periodically. They were mainly for teachers salaries, such as those we find enumerated for each of the three districts, as a total payment to all those teachers in each of those three districts. The minutes of November 22, 1865 give the following figures:

"Teachers Salaries for Commissioner Districts"

No. 1	\$590.06
No. 2	\$889.51
No. 3	\$685.84

These minutes also enumerate the following pay scales:

"Salary for 15 pupils	\$100.00 per quarter
25 "	\$115.00 per quarter
35 "	\$125.00
45 "	\$135.00
55 "	\$145.00
60 "	\$150.00

Finally, each commissioner enumerates the salaries of each teacher in his district such as the following item found in the Board Minutes of February 5, 1866:

"It should be remembered that Joel Hopkins was commissioner for District #2 consisting of 2nd and 5th E. D.

No^s 7, 8, 9, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23.

<u>SCHOOL</u>	<u>NEW NO</u>	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
Nos. 7	No. 1	L. W. Hazeltine	\$121.35
		Maggie Strawbridge, Asst.	63.50
8	2	Lizzie Anderson	136.68
9	3	Maggie Ray	133.70
18	4	Lucy Hipsley	111.43
19	5	James Spicer	109.75
20	6	John Lewis	29.67
21	7	R. Goodlor Harper	131.04
22	8	Wm. Thos. Bradenbaugh	136.40
23	9	Joseph Iglehart	96.70
	9	Harnson McCauley	27.00
	10	Harrison McCauley	125.55

In interviewing Mrs. Pindell, past Post Mistress for Glenwood Post Office and a teacher in the one room, Bank's Schoolhouse in 1933 - 34, the following observations were made:

1. This one room schoolhouse was bedlam sometimes
2. The building was one room with a pot bellied stove in the middle of it, with desks all over.
3. Grades 1 - 7 attended, with two or three in a class.
4. During recess went to the nearest spring for water.
5. A great challenge for the teacher to keep ahead of the upper classes.
6. The big children helped the little children.
7. The little children sat and listened and picked up information from the bigger ones.
8. All played together, the little children and the older ones.

By 1946 the building and 136 square perches of land was sold to Eliza Mathis and her husband, who operated a grocery store here until it was sold in 1964 to Mr. and Mrs. James Lanning, who converted it into their residence.

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Woodbine Quad.
Dist. 4

Significant architecturally to Howard County and the State of Maryland as an example of a one room schoolhouse, some forty by twenty-two feet in dimension, and historically noteworthy in the field of education and local history, the Banks Schoolhouse should be considered for inclusion to the National Register of Historic Places, the State Critical Areas Program and any local landmark ordinance the citizens of Howard County may seek to initiate, should its owners so desire.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Interview with Mrs. James Lanning on February 21, 1980, at her residence, The Bank's Schoolhouse.

Minutes of the Board of Education of Howard County, Maryland

Land Records of Howard County, Maryland

Hopkin's Atlas of 1878 - Martennet Map of 1860

Interviews with John Freudenberger, G. Moulthrop, M. Mezger of H.C.Bd.ofED.

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

20-z-80

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .54 acres

Please see Attachment 1, Tax Map 21

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

Please see Howard County Land Records, Liber 426 Folio 165

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE Maryland

COUNTY Howard

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Cleora Barnes Thompson, Archivist

ORGANIZATION

Office of Planning & Zoning-Comprehensive Planning Section

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

3450 Court House Drive

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Ellicott City

STATE

Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
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TITLE SEARCH

HO - 168 BANKS SCHOOLHOUSE

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<u>DATE</u>	<u>BANKS LIBER-FOLIO</u>	<u>GRANTEE</u>	<u>GRANTOR</u>	<u># ACRES</u>
5/10/64	426 165	James G Lanning & Goldie L	Willard Mathis, Clifford Mathis Eliza Mathis Seal	23,345 sq. ft. 4thly described of those 4 parcels described in a deed dated Nov. 29, 1957 308-81
29-11-57	RHM 308-81	Williard Mathis et al and Eliza Mathis Seal as joint tenants	Rosalie Hall	3rdly described inafore said deed
29-11-57	RHM 308-78	Rosalie Hall	Eliza Matthis Seal, Guy Seal	4th Dist.
16-8-46	BMJR. 192-33	Eliza Mathis (now Seal) and Wayne Mathis, her then husband	Ralph & Hila Birmingham, et al	136 sq perches of land P/o larger tract of land
8/19/38	161-192	William L. Slattery & Marguerite	Stephen Boone Dorsey & Mary E. Dorsey	136 sq. perches

"Beginning for the same in the center of the public road
leading from Banks Schoolhouse to Knollwood near the west
side at the bridge when. . .

Being P/O lot #1 allotted to the said Stephen Boone Dorsey,
subject to the dower of his Mother, Sallie E. Dorsey, by the
decree passed on November 18, 1876, in the proceedings in
the Circuit Court for H. C. in Equity "Sallie E. Dorsey, et
al vs. Stephen Boone Doxey" #594 #9-folio 13-78

Being P/O Lot #1 described in liber 9 folio 50-51 in the
Equity Record at Howard County.

"Including P/O tract called Duvall's Range P/O tract "Mockbus
Regulation" and stone planted near Bank's Schoolhouse on the
Washington Road. . .binding on the lines of the said School
House lot."

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Banks Schoolhouse

8. BANK'S SCHOOLHOUSE (1825) H0-168

Long known in this neighborhood, Bank's Schoolhouse stands at the foot of the hill and has been a meetingplace for church organizations, literary societies and school purposes for many years.

located in field by MD3 - Roxbury Rd (1201) + Rt 97,
Glenwood, Md.

tax Map #21, p. 109

James G. Lanning + w/f.

#26/165

0.54 A.

(Re-check in field)





Attachment 3
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Bank's Schoolhouse
Hopkin's Atlas of 1878

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EVERETT D. MARSTON & WF
& ROBT. W. DOUGLAS & WF.
517/677

154.42A.
P. 2

JOS. M.
DELLA RATTI
580/688
9.96A.
P. 132

J. GARRETT
REILLY
257/518
262.70A.
P. 13

M. GEMMILL
ELLINGSWORTH
230/459
81.48A.
P. 23

ALSTON
SPECHT
166/167
295A.
P. 14

JOHN J. HERDER
807/38
15.93A.
P. 5

Attachment 1
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Bank's Schoolhouse
Tax Map 21

ROXBURY

MILLS

P. 15 P. 87

M.W. GROSS
684/420
4.83A.
P. 51

W. G.
SARGEANT
225/331
22.25A.
P. 16

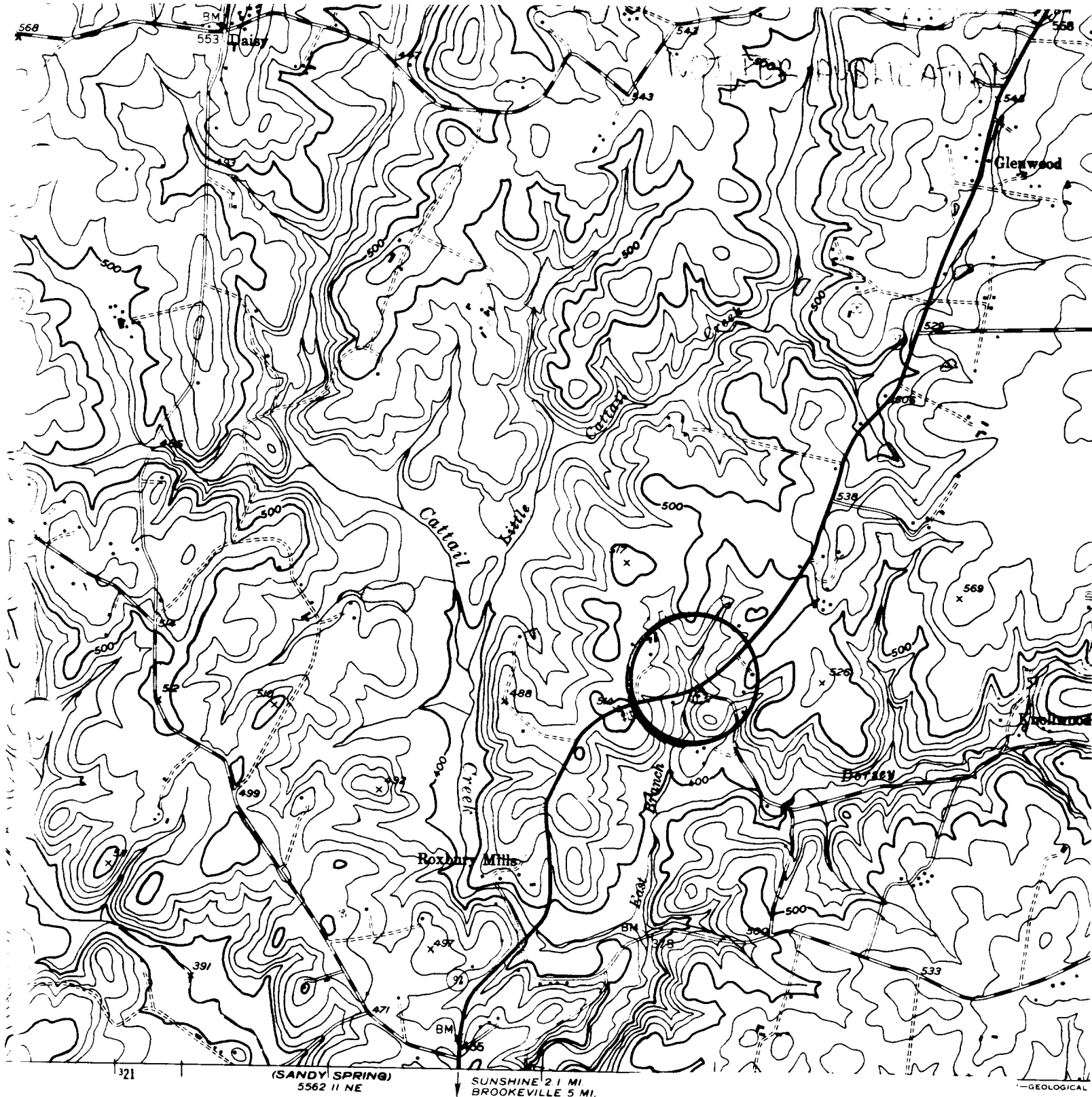
E.T.
CONNORS
437/776
4.85A.
P. 112

NANCY
VALLE
457/728
8.81A.
P. 70

WARREN C.
POND
195/33
P. 22

FRANCIS B.
521/4
61.4
P. 2

GEORGE
2



Attachment 2
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 The Bank's Schoolhouse
 U.S. Geological Survey Map
 Woodbine, Maryland Quadrangle



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Banks School house



Name: HO-168
Banks School House
Location: 15491 Route #97
Glenwood, Maryland 21738
Photographer: Cleora B. Thompson, A.I.C.P.
Date of Photograph: February, 1980
Negatives in possession of the Maryland Historical Trust
View: Northeast section of the Banks School House
Photographer looking: Southwest
Photograph number: 1 of 1